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The Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,
Superintendent's Office,

June 15th 1894

Dr Eugene Townsend
Superintendent

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Very Respectfully

James E. MacLaren

Custodian

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Relative to Letter from J. O'Rourke, Supervising Architect, requesting a report - as to outstanding liabilities incurred without authority from Dept.

Received June 15 1894

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[Abstract:] Relative to letter from O'Rourke, Supervising Architect, requesting a report, asks to outstanding liabilities incurred to courthouse authority from Dept.

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